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IS [@BLAY], Oct. 27, 1829, w.
ONNEAU, and Manuel Eugene

e of New Jersey, resident of this
Pulcherie PIVERT, native of Santo
, 1827, in this parish, ppg. William
pgp. J. Bernard PIVERT and Marie
orge JOHNSTON and Euphrasine

m. Constance DES CAPUCINS,
E and Mathurin RIVARAS (SLC,
5, 1828]

and Jeanne DUTILLET, [both]
Aug. 24, 1828, bn. Aug. 9, 1828, in
L, dec., and Marie MACCARTY,
cois DUTILLET, and Adelaide
Adelaide MONTREUIL, infant's

HOME), native and resident of this
ay 5, 1828 (SLC, M7, 118)
e MEU[M/S]), native and resident
ec. 30, 1829 (SLC, M3, 114) [ed.
ernal surname as MENIE and
16 and 17]

, dec.), minor, m. Zenon MONTZ,
rginal note: related in the second

SECXNAIDER), b. Sep. 6, 1829,
and Heloise ELDER, sp. George
BED, B7, 45)

ER), m. Marcelline MONTZ, May
[@WICNAIRE], fils, Charles
onard LASSEIGNE, and Edouard

MONTZ (SJBED, M3, 140) [marginal note: related in the second degree
of consanguinity]

MOORE [@MOOR]

Charlotte Eugenie (Samuel P., resident of this parish, and Dorothee
LASSISE, dec.), minor, native and resident of this parish, m. Eloy
Valmont MATHIEU, Sep. 21, 1829 (SLC, M3, 106)

Eugenie Rosa (Samuel and Marie Francoise Malvina LOWELL), b. Aug.
6, 1829, bn. Sep. 3, 1828, s. Samuel P. MOORE and Charlotte Eugenie
MOORE (SLC, B41, 43)

Eurania Eulalia (Samuel and Dorotea LASSIZE), native and resident of this
city, m. Manuel DALCOUR, Dec. 1, 1828 (SLC, M7, 131) [marginal
note: died Aug. 12, 1838, buried Dec. 12, 1839 (sic)] [ed. note: funeral
book for 1836-1839, p. 354, #1291, shows she died Aug. 12, 1838, at the
home of Jean BODREAU in West Pascagoula in the state of Mississippi]
Henry, bn. [o], i. Sep. 22, 1829, d. [o], at Charity Hospital of this city (SLC,
F15, 78)

MORALES

Antonia (Lorenzo, dec., and Maria GUTIERREZ, dec., [former] natives and
residents of this parish), unmarried, 17 yr., m. Laureano SILVA, Mar.
19, 1828 (SBSB, M1, 13)

Francisco Gregorio (Francisco and Micaela MOLERO), b. Apr. 19, 1829,
bn. Mar. 12, 1829, ppg. Juan MORALES and Juana ZERPA, mgp.
Manuel MOLERO and Ana Maria ALPHONSA, s. Jose ZERPA and
Marzelina PERES (SBSB, B2, 192)

Maria Cecilia (Francisco and Micaela MORERA), b. Jan. 27, 1828, 18 da.,
pgp. Juan MORALES and Juana ZERPA, mgp. Manuele MOLERO [sic]
and Ana Maria [o], all natives of the Canaries, s. Juan Bautista BUR,
native of France, resident of this parish, and Maria CERDENA, native
and resident of this parish (SBSB, B2, 173) [marginal note: died Feb. 9,
1828]

Maria Josepha (Sebastian and Maria Antonia ZORRILLA), native of
Babispe in the Kingdom of Mexico, resident of this parish, m. Clemente
DE LA FUENTE, Aug. 25, 1828 (SLC, M7, 125)

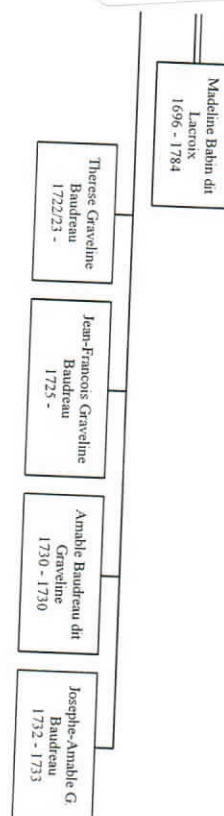
MORANCY

Marie (Clemence), b. Apr. 8, 1828, bn. Feb. 12, 1828, s. Thomas MILLE
and Marie LA CLOTE (SLC, B39, 91)

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JEAN BAPTISTE BAUDREAU DIT GRAVELINE

A REMARKABLE MAN

Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline, the third child of Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline and Mathurine Juillet, was baptized on 18 May 1671 in Montreal, Canada. His godparents were Charles Juillet, as proxy for Mr. Jean Baptiste LeGardeur, Ecuyer St. D'Arpentigny, and Dame Widow Louise Bisso, wife of the nobleman, Seraphim de la Talhvu, Lieutenant of the Company of Mr. Du Gu.¹

Jean Baptiste apparently inherited the spirit of adventure from his father, Urbain, and his maternal grandfather, Blaise Juillet. As a young man, he courageously risked his life many times "... for the service of his Majesty, first in the expeditions in which he took part in Canada against the Iroquois, where he always distinguished himself, as well as in the journeys that were made there by sea to take Hudson's Bay and ravage the coasts of Newfoundland...."²

In 1699 Jean Baptiste was one of sixty Canadians who sailed from New Foundland to Rochefort, France with Serigny. By orders of Pontchartrain, the hardy Canadians awaited the return of Pierre Le Moyne d'Iberville. If Iberville's expedition were successful, the men would be ready for Iberville's second voyage to the new French colony of Louisiana. It did succeed, and they embarked on the LA RENOMMEE from La Rochelle in October 1699, reaching Fort Maurepas on 8 January 1700.

Jean Baptiste remained at Fort Maurepas until the capital was moved in 1702 to a site on the Mobile River, where he then lived at Fort Louis for a time.

Jean Baptiste was the father of two children, their mother being an Indian woman. The parentage of a girl, Magdeleine, and a boy, Jean Baptiste II, is documented, although the exact years of their births have yet to be determined. It is not a proven fact that they had the same mother, but very likely.

Exciting ventures filled the next decade of Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline's life. In a letter to Maurepas in 1748, Governor Vaudreuil wrote of Graveline, he ".... came here for the settlement of this colony, at which he has always worked steadily, both by the frequent voyages which he has made to France to contract for and conduct people here and by the voyages he has made to Vera Cruz and Havana in order to open a commerce there and to have transported to this country the first purebred horned livestock seen here... "³

On one of his trips to France, Graveline married Suzanne.⁴ In October 1713, Suzanne died while they were living on Dauphin Island.

In 1716 Graveline, together with a group of his Canadian friends, formed a commercial company, leaving Mobile on 10 October with Spain's New Kingdom of Leon as their goal. It was a challenging journey into a territory which was sprinkled with missions, friendly and unfriendly Indians. At one point in

Texas, the French enterprisers were attacked by sixty Indians, who took thirty-three of their mules along with the belongings of the men, and a Spanish mulatress. Eventually, Graveline arrived back in Mobile on 25 October 1717.⁵

By 1718 Graveline had settled on the west side of the Pascagoula River. With the help of Indian and Negro slaves, he farmed and raised cattle on his river plantation, a beautiful place for his children to spend their childhood.

Graveline was not only the ambitious and adventurous man as seen by many historians, but as Governor Vaudreuil personally observed, "... he was one of the most opulent and where by his generosity in assisting all those who asked it of him has merited the esteem and the protection of all decent men ...".⁶

In the 1740's Graveline married his third wife, Martha LaVergne, who was deceased by 1747.⁷

Graveline lost his sight in the 1750's, but not before he unselfishly rendered exceptional service to France. Governor Vaudreuil praised him to Maurepas, saying that he had distinguished himself "... since he has been in Louisiana in the difficult journeys that he has undertaken, both to manage certain Indian nations for us and to suppress the insolence of several others, having marched against them at the head of the militia, of which he is the oldest captain, whenever we have formed an army to fight them."⁸

A will was written by Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline in 1750.⁹ Eighty years of age at the time, Graveline's tiredness reveals itself, as well as many emotions which can be noted in the words of this good old man. There was despair in his heart regarding his only son, whom he had done so much for over the years. There was also anger with a tinge of bitterness. In past years Graveline had been very compassionate towards his son, aiding him financially, and pleading his cause whenever he was in trouble.

(Translation of will has been copied exactly as found in the Archives.)
This sixteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred and fifty Before the Royal notary of the Province of Louisiana dwelling in New Orleans and in presence of the undersigned witnesses personally appeared John Baptist Baudreaux of Graveline generally residing at a place called "la Bellefontaine" at old Beloxy, who has declared & Said that he is come here expressly to arrange & finally adjust his affairs temporal as well spiritual, having appear'd to us this day in good health & enjoying sound mind & memory being nine O'Clock in the morning & he was of a very advanced age, that fearing to be overtaken by death in (xxx paper worn out) remote from all assistance he wou'd wish to put in order a sufficient portion of his wor'dly affairs whilst he is of sound mind, he has said & declared to us that he is born in Montreal in Canada & that he is in this Colony since the year one thousand Seven hundred, that he came to this Colony with Mr. Biberville & that he believes that out of a hundred who came with him he is the only living person; that having had carnal communication with a Squaw of the Indian Nation (a daughter of a great Chief) he had a son who is about thirty of age at this present time which compelled him under this consideration to marry the Said Squaw (or Indian Woman) in presence of our Mother the Roman Catholic & Apostolic holy Church as acting the

part of a true Christian with the intention of doing a good part to his Son (paper worn) named John Baudreaux, but that the severe language & bad conduct which his Son has this day shewn to him, he is under the necessity of disinheriting him, having even attempted his life many times by putting his fist upon his throat, threatening to kill him, & other menaces calling him an old Buggar & only seeking daily his destruction & all his aim tending to his total ruin as he has done to the present time, having render'd him considerable injury, being vex'd to see him yet on this earth to be able to enjoy & consume the little property which remains out of the unfortunate wreck which he has prevented him consuming, that as he has a God-Son named John Baptist Brasillier Son of Bayou of St. John to him he has infinite obligations, assisting him in all his necessities, & aiding him in everything, without whom he wou'd undergo a miserable death, having no other means than to stay with him as his unfortunate Son never comes to his house but to pillage him & threaten his life which compels him this day (not wishing to place his unfortunate Son in the hands of Justice as he cou'd do) to abjure him as his Son-he wishes & desires that the said Brazillier Junior, his God-Son be & remain his general Legatee & enjoy generally all his property that he may have either in this Colony or elsewhere without (for sufficient reasons) the said John Beaudreaux interfering in any manner whatever, looking upon him as a miserable wretch who does not deserve all the property that he has made for him since he came into the world no more than his wife who has ill treated him & does daily misuse when she has an opportunity of doing it-both of them are unnatural & without any Sentiment of Christianity-breaking & annulling by the present all other Wills or Codicils that he may have before made, wishing & desiring that the present only remain in force notwithstanding the want of formality which might be requir'd in regard to the disinheritance of the said John Beaudreaux wishing for this reason that the present be in the place of a declaration in justice to the repugnance he feels in letting his said Son perish though unworthy of being such, leaving moreover to God the Father Almighty to punish him according to his merits of Divine Providence does not his conscience beseeching the Lord to be pleased to convert him without which he will despair of his coming to a good end, That as he has before made some Gifts in writing, he declares them null, & void, that it was piece of weakness on his part to sign deeds of gift, & he desires that the present instrument only remain to be executed according to its form & tenor, not regarding from henceforth the said John Baudreaux no more than his Wife & their Children but as a degenerate race, having never merited any of the attentions which he paid to them, whose names up to the present day only tended to his total ruin by the frequent pillage they made of him, & with which they never profited, occasioned by their great dissipation & especially Beaudreaux's who is confirmed in every vice & all Sorts of Debauchery as he is well known unfortunately for him by the whole Colony, begging besides of his General Legatee-in whose favor he bequeaths his property at his decease, & to pray to God for the repose of his Soul, which he leaves to his prudence & generosity whilst he knows his goodness which is all he has said & repeated after several amendments without wishing to increase or diminish anything, it being

his last Will & Testament which had been read to him in presence of Augustin Chantation Clerk of Lenormant, huissier audianier witnesses here dwelling & which he has read to them having well understood it & that it is his last will without making any alteration in it & has sign'd it as well as Beaudreaux. Chanlason Lenormant & the undersigned notary Renner Notary

End of Will

Seven years later, in 1757, Jean Baptiste II was put to death on the wheel by order of Governor Kerlerec.

Even though Graveline used strong words in his will about Jean Baptiste II, for his son to come to such a tragic end must have been to him one of the saddest days in his long life.

Alas, Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline died about 1762, most likely on his Pascagoula River plantation. What a wonderful heritage he has bequeathed to his descendants. A remarkable man indeed!

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Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline was the grandfather of Catherine Louise Baudreau who married Joseph Bouzage.

and as elected guardian of Paul, sixteen years old, and Magdelaine, aged twelve, and Jean, aged eight, the minor children of the deceased Urbain Baudreau dit Graveline and Mathurine Juillet, his wife, an inventory was made. This is also done for Marie Baudreau, his wife, in the presence of Jacques Richard, brother-in-law, as guardian of said minors by act of guardianship, made before Monsieur, Maitre Jacques Alexander D'Eschambault (Ecuyer), advisor of the King and Son, proxy at the seat of the Royal jurisdiction of the Isle of Montreal. He holds the seat in the absence of Monsieur, the Lt. General of the said jurisdiction. It was received March 11, 1698, and signed by Adhemar, Notary of the said jurisdiction. The said minors lived together with Gabriel Baudreau. The said Marie Baudreau, wife of Gabois, Jean Baptiste, Elizabeth Baudreau, wife of the said Richard, and Marie Anne Baudreau, wife of said Guillaume Baudouin, also live there. This is to support the heirs of the said deceased Urbain Baudreau, their father. As to the request of Mathurine Juillet, mother of the said minors, this also takes care of Gabriel Baudreau and Jean Baptiste Baudreau, his brother; and with the request of said Guillaume Baudouin, Marie Anne Baudreau, his wife, is also taken care of. The preservation of goods and rights of the parties are maintained, as well as all others who are children. It was signed by Ardoine Adhemar, Royal Notary of the jurisdiction on the Island of Montreal, living at Ville Marie. It was witnessed and signed. An inventory of all goods, furniture, titles, papers left after the death of the said deceased Urbain Baudreau was made. These were jointly owned between him and the said widow on the day of his death, 29 of January 1695. These were found in the house of Jacques Richard situated in this city on Jacques St., where the said widow stated having brought them there. The Notary was shown these and under oath was told where they were with none of them hidden. This was done under a penalty. The Notary made it clear that everything shown him would be appraised by Peter Cabazie, Royal Sheriff of the said jurisdiction of the Island of Montreal. They would be appraised in conscience as regards costs at the present time. All of the reservations of the said parties and their understanding of their rights and claims took place in the presence of Guillaume Barette and Pierre Bieut, witnesses living in the said Ville Marie. These presents are signed by the said Gadbois, Gabriel Baudreau and the Notary. The others including the said Richard, the widow Juillet and Baudouin have stated that they do not know how to write to sign. The paper was read as required by law.

/s/ Gadbois
 Beaudrieau
 Rivet with a sign
 Barette
 Adhemar, Notary

Gabriel Vaudreau: He receives from the said inheritance and community the amount of 120 pounds for a horse belonging to him that the said widow Juillet sold for the same sum. The money was used for certain dealings for the said inheritance and community; for 115 pounds and 10 sols for 33 measures of oats and wheat which he bought and paid for the house at the rate of 3 pounds 10 sols minus the sum of 28 pounds that he paid to LeManceau; for the amount of 13 pounds to a named Lacroix; for 40 sols to the wife of Saintoge for the same amount for her said father and mother that was owed to them; for 29 pounds to Mr. Montigny for the same amount that the inheritance owes him; for 66 pounds, 6 sols that the said Gabriel Baudreau had payed the previous year to Miss Migeon on one part; for 93 pounds that the said Miss Migeon owes him and are deducted from the item of said Miss Migeon; and for 22 pounds value of a gun that he had, and that his mother sold to provide for her needs. In all the said amount is that of 488 pounds 16 sols. 488 16 0

Those appearing in court say that they understand what was said above and know perfectly and entirely that the amounts are due to the said Gabriel Vaudreau. They agree that he will be paid from the estate as well as all other creditors. The sum above due amounts to 2051 pounds, 4 sols and 2 deniers, the said widow promises to pay half and to acquire the said inheritance for her half.

To the Notary Soubzne the amount of 300 pounds	300	0	0
To Miss Migeon 334 pounds 15 sols 6 deniers	334	15	6
To Mr. Leber 100 pounds	100	0	0
To Jacques Picart 220 pounds	220	0	0

To Juillet guardian of his brother's children, 54 pounds	54	0	0
To the church bank of this city 10 pounds	10	0	0
To Jean Arnaud 28 sols	2	8	0

147 pounds, 15 sols loan approved by the said Juillet to the said inheritance. The other took place before me, Adhemar, Notary, on December 23, amounting to 14 pounds for expenses to the Justice, and 40 sols for the large debt of Couvers made by Miss Migeon in an action that she took against Maitre Baudreau, on which was the sum of 145 pounds, 15 sols and six deniers. 16 pounds for expenses that Gabriel Baudreau has paid. The total of 83 pounds is what Miss Migeon owes him, and there remains to be paid of time said obligation as of December 23 last, 70 pounds, 15 sols, 6 deniers.

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To Jacques Picart the obligation witnessed before Adhemar, the Notary, the sum of 225 pounds	225	0	0
To Mr. LeBer the sum of 100 pounds	100	0	0
To Mr. Louis Guillet, guardian of the children of Charles Guillet the sum of 54 pounds	54	0	0
To Mr. Forester, doctor, the sum of 130 pounds	130	0	0
To Mr. Richard the sum of 38 pounds	38	0	0
To Mrs. De Rupall the sum of 36 pounds	36	0	0
To Mr. Cuille Rier the sum of 18 pounds	18	0	0
To the society and bank of the parish of this city 10 pounds	10	0	0
To Mr. Jean Aenaud 28 sols	1	8	0
To Mr. Bertrand Arnaud the sum of 37 pounds, 2 sols	37	2	0
To the Lords of this Island for dues, the sum of 172 pounds, 8 sols or about	172	8	0
To Jacques Lhuillier who became farmer for remainder of and revenue during his lease the sum of 116 pounds	116	0	0
For the expenses of guardianship, the sum of 4 pounds, 14 sols, eight deniers	4	14	0
All of which said sums above are due to said persons except, to augment or to diminish.			

In the said house of said Jacques Richard was found an old oak chest, the cover broken, estimated by said Cabazie to 5 pound

5 0 0

An old oak bin, the foot and cover broken, estimated by the said Cabazie at 20 sols

1 0 0

An old broken kettle estimated at 20 sols

1 0 0

A big book estimated at 3 pounds

3 0 0

A yellow copper chandelier estimated at 40 sols

2 0 0

4 bowls, 6 plates, 2 pans and 12 spoons, all estimated at 10 sols 6 pounds

6 0 0

An old iron frying pan estimated at 45 sols

2 5 0

An old yellow copper pail weighing 3 pounds, pierced and mended, estimated at 24 sols

2 0 0

These are all the furniture left to the widow of the deceased Baudreau and that the said widow says that the said guardians, Gabriel Baudreau and Baudouin, understand this and that the said Juillet, widow, does not possess any other things. The said Gabois, Baudreau, Cabazie and the said witnesses and Notary have signed. The said Richard Juillet and Baudouin have declared not knowing how to sign as required by law.

Signed: G. B. mark
Jean Bati Gadbois

Barette
Adhemar

The said Mathurine Juillet, widow of said Jean Baptiste Baudreau, declares that from the said inheritance and community goods between her and the deceased Baudreau, her husband owed:

1. *To the notary, undersigned, as having the rights given by the heirs of Jean Aubuchon dit L'Esperance to the yearly income of 15 pounds, to re-purchase for the sum of 300 pounds*

300 0 0

To Miss Migeon the sum of 284 pounds, loan witnesses by the Notary of this Island signed by Bassett and dated May 19, 1694.

The above debts the widow Juillet promises to pay in her name and to make good to her said children as much as possible of the original amount, along with the damages and interest and give to her said children 5 pounds, 8 sols, 7 deniers. She will make everything equal in the payment of said debts that she owes because of the said community of property.

Witnesses were: Gabois, guardian, Gabriel Baudreau, Cabazie and the Notary have signed. The others say they are unable to sign the papers as required by law.

Signed: Gen. Batis Gadbois
River
Beaudriaux
Cabazie
Barrette
Adhemar, Notary

A1. Urbain "Graveline" Baudreau* (pc. 81 #4) m. **Marguerite Mathurine Juillet*** (pc. 81 #5) (# L1A of the **Juillet** family) 20 Oct 1664 in Montreal, Canada. In this marriage record, **Urbain*** was referred to as a Trustee for Inhabitants. Witnesses were: **Hughes Picart**, father-in-law of said spouse, **Antoinette Liercourt**, her mother, **Zacherie de Puy**, Major of the Garrison, **Charles D'Ailleboust**, Lord of the Messieurs and many other friends common to both parties. **Marguerite** bp. 31 Dec 1651, was only 13 years old when she married **Urbain**, a bachelor of 31. She was the daughter of **Blaise Juillet*** (pc. 81 #10) and **Marie Antoinette Liercourt*** (pc. 81 #11) The children of **Urbain "Graveline"** and **Marguerite** follow:

A1A. Gabriel Baudreau b. 25 Jul 1666, bp. same day in Montreal, Canada, gp. **Hughes Picart** and **Jeanne Lemoine**, daughter of **Jacques LeBert**. (Provincial Archives of Quebec) He d. before 1724.

A1B. Marie Ursula Baudreau b. 8 Dec 1668, bp. same day in Montreal, Canada, gp. **Jean Baptiste Bignon de Bearsat**, trustee of this place, and **Marie Juillet**, daughter of **Blaise Juillet**, resident. (Provincial Archives of Quebec)

A1C. Jean Baptiste "Graveline" Baudreau* (pc. 7 #28) and (pc. 81 #2) b. 18 May 1671, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada, gp. **Charles Juillet**, as proxy for Mr. **Jean Baptiste LaGardeuer**, **Ecuyer St. D'Arpentigny**, and **Dame Widow Louise Bisso**, wife of the nobleman, **Seraphim de la Talhvu**, Lieutenant of the Company of Mr. **Du Gu**. (Provincial Archives of Quebec) Please note **Jean Baptiste "Graveline"** is listed on 2 pedigree charts.

A1D. Elizabeth Baudreau, bp. 3 May 1673 in Montreal.

A1E. Marie Anne Baudreau b. 29 Aug 1673, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada, gp. **Paul Tessier**, resident and **Marie Picart**, daughter of **Hughes Picart**. (Provincial Archives of Quebec)

A1F. Paul Baudreau b. 18 May 1682, bp. 19 May 1682 at Montreal, Canada, gp. Mr. **Le Chevalier le Moyne** and **Susanne Mibeon**, daughter of **Migeon**, Judge of this place. (Provincial Archives of Quebec)

A1G. **Marie Madeleine Baudreau** b. 9 Jun 1686, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada, gp. **Julien Belois** and **Marguerite Bayer**. The priest was **Guyotte**, Cure. (Provincial Archives of Quebec)

A1H. **Jean Baudreau** b. 13 Jun 1690, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada, gp. **Jean Gabriel Picard** and **Elizabeth Pertuis**. (Provincial Archives of Quebec)

THIS CONCLUDES THE 2nd GENERATION OF THE BAUDREAU FAMILY

A1A. **Gabriel Baudreau, dit Graveline**, m. **Catherine Forestier** 15 Aug 1701. The marriage contract was dated 14 Aug 1701 by Adhemar. She was b. abt. 1681, the daughter of **Etienne Forestier** and **Marguerite Lauzon**. It was generally assumed that **Gabriel** was engaged in commerce along the Mississippi River. The children of **Gabriel** and **Catherine** follow:

A1Aa. **Marie-Catherine Baudreau** b. 2 Jun 1702, bp. 3 Jun 1702 in Montreal, d. 23 Mar 1703 in Montreal, Canada.

A1Ab. **Marie-Catherine Baudreau** b. 23 Feb 1704, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada.

A1Ac. **Gilbert Baudreau** b. 9 Nov 1705, bp. 12 Nov 1705, d. 2 Jan 1707 in Montreal, Canada.

A1Ad. **Marie-Josephe Baudreau** b. 8 Sep 1707, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada.

A1Ae. **Marie-Louise Baudreau** b. 24 Nov 1708, bp. same day at Detroit.

A1B. **Marie Ursula Baudreau** 1st. m. **Pierre Ducharme** 22 Nov 1689. Their child follows:

A1Ba. **Pierre Ducharme** b. 26 Sep 1690.

A1B. **Marie Ursula Baudreau** 2nd m. **Jean Baptiste Gadois** 19 Jan 1693. Their children follow. Their number is preceded with (2) to indicate a second marriage.

A1B(2)a. **Jean Baptiste Gadois** b. 27 Nov 1693.

A1B(2)b. **Marie Chretienne Gadois** b. 16 Aug 1695.

A1B(2)c. **Jean Baptiste Gadois** b. 22 Dec 1697.

A1B(2)d. **Louis Gadois** b. 2 May 1700.

A1B(2)e. **Marguerite Gadois** b. 28 Jan 1702-03.

A1B(2)f. **Francois Xavier Gadois** b. 17 Oct 1705.

A1B(2)g. **Paul Gadois** b. 11 Dec 1707.

A1B(2)h. **Genevieve Gadois** b. 26 Feb 1710.

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A will was written by Jean Baptiste Baudreau dit Graveline in 1750. Eighty years of age at the time, Graveline's tiredness reveals itself, as well as many emotions which can be noted in the words of this good old man. There was despair in his heart regarding his only son, whom he had done so much for over the years. There was also anger with a tinge of bitterness. In past years Graveline had been very compassionate towards his son, aiding him financially, and pleading his cause whenever he was in trouble."

Following below is **Graveline***'s Last Will and Testament which appeared in M. L. Adkinson's Bouzage Bosarge Family. Her footnote indicated this document was researched by: Darrell Hilton, National Archives, Washington, D. C., References Division D Miss. Item 126 Vol 203, pp. 473-474. We thank all parties for affording us the opportunity to include the will in its entirety as well as the inventory listed in the preceding pages.

(Translation of will has been copied exactly as found in the Archives.) This sixteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred and fifty Before the Royal notary of the Province of Louisiana dwelling in New Orleans and in presence of the undersigned witnesses personally appeared John Baptist Baudreaux of Graveline generally residing at a place called "la Bellefontaine" at old Beloxi, who has declared & Said that he is come here expressly to arrange & finally adjust his affairs temporal as well spiritual, having appear'd to us this day in good health & enjoying sound mind & memory being nine O'Clock in the morning & he was of a very advanced age, that fearing to be overtaken by death in (xxx paper worn out) remote from all assistance he wou'd wish to put in order a sufficient portion of his wor'dly affairs whilst he is of sound mind, he has said & declared to us that he is born in Montreal in Canada & that he is in this Colony since the year one thousand Seven hundred, that he came to this Colony with Mr. Biberville & that he believes that out of a hundred who came with him he is the only living person; that having had carnal communication with a Squaw of the Indian Nation (a daughter of a great Chief) he had a son who is about thirty of age at this present time which compelled him under this consideration to marry the Said Squaw (or Indian Woman) in presence of our Mother the Roman Catholic & Apostolic holy Church as acting the part of a true Christian with the intention of doing a good part to his Son (paper worn) named John Baudreaux, but that the severe language & bad conduct which his Son has this day shewn to him, he is under the necessity of disinheriting him, having even attempted his life many times by putting his fist upon his throat, threatening to kill him, & other menaces calling him an old Buggar & only seeking daily his destruction & all his aim tending to his total ruin as he has done to the present time, having render'd him considerable injury, being vex'd to see him yet on this earth to be able to enjoy & consume the little property which remains out of the unfortunate wreck which he has prevented him consuming, that as he has a God-Son named John Baptist Brasillier Son of . . . Bayou of St. John to him he has infinite obligations, assisting him in all his necessities, & aiding him in everything, without whom he wou'd undergo a miserable death, having no other means than to stay with him as his unfortunate Son never comes to his house but to pillage him & threaten his life which compels him this day (not wishing to place his unfortunate Son in the hands of Justice as he cou'd do) to abjure him as his Son-he wishes & desires that the said Brazillier Junior, his God-Son be & remain his general Legatee & enjoy generally all his property that he may have either in this Colony or elsewhere without (for sufficient reasons) the said John Beaudreaux interfering in any manner whatever, looking upon him as a miserable wretch who does not deserve all the property that he has made for him since he came into the world no more than his wife who has ill treated him & does daily misuse when she has an opportunity of doing it-both of them are unnatural & without any Sentiment of Christianity-breaking & annulling by the present all other Wills or Codicils that he may have before made, wishing & desiring that the present only remain in force notwithstanding the want of formality which might be requir'd in regard to the disinheritance of the said John Beaudreaux wishing for this reason that the present be in the place of a declaration in justice . . . to the repugnance he feels in letting his said Son perish though unworthy of being such, leaving moreover to God the Father Almighty to punish him according to his merits of Divine Providence does not . . . his conscience beseeching the Lord to be pleased to convert him without which he will despair of his coming to a good end, That as he has before made some Giftis in writing, he declares them null, & void, that it was piece of weakness on his part to sign deeds of gifts, & he desires that the present instrument only remain to be executed according to its form & tenor, not regarding from henceforth

the said John Baudreaux no more than his Wife & their children but as a degenerate race, having never merited any of the attentions which he paid to them, whose names up to the present day only tended to his total ruin by the frequent pillage they made of him, & with which they never profited, occasioned by their great dissipation & especially Beaudreaux's who is confirmed in every vice & all Sorts of Debauchery as he is well known unfortunately for him by the whole Colony, begging besides of his General Legatte-in whose favor he bequeaths his property as his decease, & to pray to God for the repose of his Soul, which he leaves to his prudence & generosity whilst he knows his goodness which is all he has said & repeated after several amendments without wishing to increase or diminish anything, it being his Last Will & Testament which has been read to him in presence of Augustin Chantation Clerk of Lenorman, huissier audianier witnesses here dwelling & which he has read to them having well understood it & that it is his last will without making any alteration in it & has sign'd it as well as Beaudreaux. Chanlason Lenormet & the undersigned notary Renner Notary.

End of Will"

A1C. Jean Baptiste Baudreau, dit Graveline* (pc. 7 #28) and (pc. 81 #2) 1st. m. an **Indian Woman*** (pc. 7 #29) and (pc. 81 #3). Please note **Jean Baptiste, dit Graveline*** and his wife the **Indian Woman*** are both listed on 2 pedigree charts. The **Indian Woman*** was said to be the daughter of a great Chief. The children of **Jean Baptiste*** and the **Indian Woman*** follow:

A1Ca. Jean Baptiste Baudreau, II* (pc. 7 #14) died 1757-1758.

A1Cb. Magdeleine Baudreau* (pc. 31 #5) b. abt. 1706 in Pascagoula, Miss.

A1C. Jean Baptiste Baudreau, dit Graveline* (pc. 7 #28) and (pc. 81 #2) 2nd. m. **Suzanne** on one of his trips to France. Suzanne died Oct 1713 at Dauphin Island, Ala. No children were located for this couple.

A1C. Jean Baptiste Baudreau, dit Graveline* (pc. 7 #28) and (pc. 81 #2) 3rd. m. **Martha LaVergne** abt. 1740. **Martha** died abt. 1747. No children were located for this couple.

A1D. Elizabeth Baudreau m. **Jacques Richard** 3 Sep 1696. No children were located for this couple.

A1E. Marie Anne Baudreau m. **Guillaume Baudoin** 11 Nov 1697. No children were located for this couple.

A1F. Paul Baudreau, dit Graveline 1st. m. **Marie Tessier** 20 Feb 1708 at Montreal, Canada. The marriage contract was dated 19 Feb 1708 by Achemar. She was the daughter of **Paul Tessier** and **Marie-Madeleine Cloutier**. In 1696 his mother, **Marguerite Mathurine**, returned from the country to live in their town house and in 1708, transferred the estate to, her son, **Paul**, with the understanding he would care for her for the remainder of her life. The children of **Paul** and **Marie** follow:

A1Fa. Marie-Josephe Baudreau b. 20 Oct 1710, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada.

A1Fb. Helene Baudreau b. 12 Sep 1713, bp 13 Sep 1713, d. 14 Sep 1713, buried 15 Sep 1713 at Montreal, Canada.

A1Fc. Paul Baudreau b. 29 Aug 1714, bp. same day, d. 3 Sep 1714 at Montreal, Canada.

A1Fd. Agathe Baudreau b. 15 Oct 1715, bp. 16 Oct 1715 in Montreal, Canada.

A1Fe. Urbain Baudreau b. 19 Aug 1718, bp. same day at Montreal, Canada.

A1Ff. Francois-Xavier Baudreau b. 2 Dec 1720, bp. 3 Dec 1720 at Montreal, Canada.

A1Fg. Therese Baudreau b. 25 Jun 1723, bp. 26 Jun 1723 at Montreal, Canada.

A1Fh. Marguerite Baudreau b. 4 Sep 1725, bp. same day at Longue-Pointe, Canada.

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Bartolomeu Guesot witness

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